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SUBJECT: RUSSIA NONCOMMITTAL ABOUT FIVE PLUS FIVE MEETING
AT UNGA

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¶1. (SBU) After providing reftel talking points to the MFA earlier, we checked with MFA North America on September 8 to see whether FM Lavrov would attend a meeting of the Five Plus Five on the margins of the upcoming UN General Assembly meetings. We were told that no decision had been made about Lavrov's participation.

¶2. (SBU) In a September 7 meeting with MFA First Asia Department Senior Counselor Oleg Davydov, who advises DFM Alekseyev on North Korean issues, we raised GOR participation in the meeting. Davydov was aware of the request, was noncommittal about GOR attendance, and asked whether we knew whether other invitees had accepted. Poloffs noted that we did not know whether all invitees had accepted.

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